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geon, Joseph J. Curry, U. S. A., has been appointed to meet at one of the general hospitals in or near Manila, for the purpose of studying tropical diseases in the Philippine Islands.

DR. E. R. HODGE, pathologist at the United States Army Medical Museum, Washington, D.C., has left for Manila for the purpose of securing for that institution such pathological specimens as may result from active hostilities and the occupation of a tropical country.

WE learn from the *Botanical Gazette* that the city of Philadelphia has acquired the dwelling and part of the grounds which belonged to James Logan (1674-1751), with Penn one of the founders of Pennsylvania, and a botanist of note, after whom *Logania*, the type of the Loganiaceæ, was named by Robert Brown. The property will be known as Stenton Park, the original name of the Logan estate, as there is already a Logan Square in the city.

PLANS have now been submitted for the new building of the American Geographical Society, New York City, to be erected on West 81st street, opposite the American Museum of Natural History. The estimated cost of the building is \$100,000. The façades will be of brick, granite, and terra cotta. An ornamental balcony of carved stone will have a place over the central entrance, with pilasters on either side. Two lamp-posts supporting globes will be put up at the entrance. Beneath the top tier of windows will be blocks of stone with the names of Columbus, Marco Polo, and Magellan. The first floor will contain the lecture hall, while the library will take up the second story.

AT the first meeting of the Paris Academy of Medicine for the present year, the prizes to be awarded in 1900, 1901 and 1902 were announced. The prizes for the present year number 36, and vary in value from 300 to 6000 francs. They are, with a few exceptions, open to foreigners, but the manuscripts or printed works must be written in French or Latin. They must be presented not later than February 1st of each year.

THE fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the Paris Society of Biology was celebrated on December 24th. As part of the ceremonies, a commemorative tablet in honor of Claude

Bernard, one of the founders of the Society and its second president, was unveiled in his old laboratory in the Collège de France. An address in honor of Bernard was made by M. d'Arsonval, his successor in the chair of medicine. Addresses commemorating the anniversary of the Society were made by the President, Professor Bouchard, and by the General Secretary, M. Gley. M. Leygues, the minister of public instruction, named as officers of the legion of honor, Professor Mathias Duval, M. Gréhaut, the chemist, and M. Capitan, secretary of the Society.

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A MEMORIAL has been presented to the Maryland House of Representatives asking for a continuation of the appropriation of \$50,000 per annum for the Johns Hopkins University.

PRESIDENT TUCKER, speaking before the Dartmouth Alumni Association of Boston, is reported to have said, that during the year six professors, six assistant professors and three instructors had been added to the faculty of Dartmouth College, and that the number of students had been increased by 50. The Wilder physical laboratory completed during the year was said to be the best equipped in New England. Gifts amounting to \$150,000 had been received during the year in addition to \$300,000 given by Amos Tuck. President Tucker wishes to collect \$1,000,000 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the graduation of Daniel Webster from Dartmouth College.

A COMMITTEE has been appointed to enquire into the question of establishing a university college for North Staffordshire, England, and report in favor of trying to collect £20,000 for a building.

It is reported that President Ayres of the University of Cincinnati will recommend the discharge of the entire faculty of that institution at the end of the present college year, as a remedy for the troubles that have existed for a long time.

PROFESSOR F. A. C. PERRINE has resigned from the chair of electrical engineering in Stanford University.